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Letter dated 25 July 2005 from the Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Economic and Social Council

In accordance with instructions received from my Government, I have the honour to refer to the letter dated 6 July 2005 from the Permanent Representative of Argentina to the United Nations addressed to you regarding the application of international labour conventions to the Falkland Islands (E/2005/84).

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland has no doubts about the sovereignty of the United Kingdom over the Falkland Islands, South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands and the surrounding maritime areas, and rejects the claim by the Government of Argentina to sovereignty over those islands and areas and its assertions that those islands and areas are under illegal occupation by the United Kingdom.

I should be grateful if you would arrange for the text of the present letter to be circulated as a document of the Economic and Social Council.

(*Signed*) Emyr Jones **Parry**
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